

Agency 31 - Military Department

Statutory Authority:

1. Section 14, Article IV and Article XIV, Constitution of Nebraska provides for the Militia, its personnel, organization and discipline.
2. R.R.S. 55-101 through 55-180 (Military Code) provides regulations for the control, equipment organization and command of the Nebraska National Guard.
3. R.R.S. 55-201 through 55-218 (State Guard) provides the regulation for the operation of the Nebraska State Guard.
4. R.R.S. 81-829 (Emergency Management Act) provides for disaster and emergency management operations.
5. R.R.S. 85-505 provides a Tuition Waiver Program for members of the Nebraska National Guard.

Vision Statement:

Coupled teams, intensively engaged at community, state, and national levels to better serve the entire state and nation with:

- Diversity at all levels of leadership
- Stable and relevant military missions
- Strong NEMA/community partnerships
- Aggressive pursuit of new opportunities

Mission Statement:

Maintain the Nebraska National Guard (Army & Air) in a high state of readiness for missions and deployment in support of national security objectives and state emergencies with well trained personnel and ready equipment.

Maintain a State Disaster and Emergency Management program to reduce the vulnerability of the citizens and communities of the State in the event of a natural or man-made disaster or attack by coordinating the resources of Nebraska communities, State government and the Federal government in the areas of disaster preparedness, disaster response, disaster recovery and hazard mitigation.

Goals:

1. Relevant and ready organizations, evolving to meet changing needs.
2. Model equal opportunity throughout military and civilian service.
3. Promote a drug-free community.
4. Provide for response to natural and man-made emergencies.
5. Adhere to principles and practices of sound environmental management.
6. Optimize domestic and community involvement.
7. Secure employer support for the National Guard.
8. Accentuate an improved quality of life.
9. Manage all resources and facilities effectively.
10. Focus on a culture of safety and continuous improvement.
11. Operationalize Total Quality Teamwork (TQT).

Financial Data:

	Actual FY02	Approp FY03	Request FY04	Recom FY04	Request FY05	Recom FY05
General Fund	4,186,597	3,980,719	4,462,743	4,057,191	4,658,189	4,111,739
Cash Fund	595,349	615,598	763,930	707,759	869,842	727,327
Federal Fund	15,283,163	10,794,292	13,353,144	12,040,090	14,151,544	12,764,093
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Agency	20,065,109	15,390,609	18,579,817	16,805,040	19,679,575	17,603,159

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Program 192 - Governor's Emergency Aid

Program Objectives:

The Governor's Emergency Fund is authorized under the provisions of R.R.S. 81-829.42 to care for the unusual and extraordinary burdens imposed on the state and its political subdivisions by disasters, emergencies, or civil defense emergencies. The primary purpose of the fund is to assist in restoring the essential public services. The Governor's Emergency Fund is intended to be supplemental to local response and recovery efforts and not the primary source of assistance. When approved by the Governor, programs from the fund are administered by the Adjutant General/State Emergency Management Director acting for the Governor.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY02	Approp FY03	Request FY04	Recom FY04	Request FY05	Recom FY05
General Fund	410,374	0	0	0	0	0
Cash Fund	33,828	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Fund	7,085,094	3,500,000	4,000,000	4,000,000	4,500,000	4,500,000
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	7,529,296	3,500,000	4,000,000	4,000,000	4,500,000	4,500,000

Performance Measures:

Performance of the Governor's Emergency Fund is measured by the Service we provide to the political subdivisions who receive the aid. The State Emergency Management Agency must establish disaster assistance centers, take applications, process applications in cooperation with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and then make payment of the disaster assistance. Because we are dealing with reconstruction projects, a great deal of attention must be maintained over a long period of time. The goal is to close-out a disaster recovery program in the fastest time possible.

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Program 544 - National & State Guard

Program Objectives:

1. To provide effective command and administrative service support to the Nebraska National Guard.
2. To maintain and improve Military Department facilities in accordance with sound commercial practices.
3. To provide security for personnel and resources of the Nebraska National Guard.
4. To provide crash, fire and rescue services to the Air National Guard flight activities.
5. To sustain a quality recruiting and retention program.
6. To promote the National Guard through the provision of public information.
7. To provide 25 hours of classroom contact time to over 900 elementary school children (5th grade) from the Lincoln community.
8. To provide effective and efficient management of the Tuition Assistance Program (Program 548).

Financial Data:

	Actual FY02	Approp FY03	Request FY04	Recom FY04	Request FY05	Recom FY05
General Fund	2,363,240	2,452,932	2,739,008	2,390,733	2,921,875	2,429,906
Cash Fund	322,738	293,171	361,653	296,863	456,783	299,045
Federal Fund	6,178,134	5,305,153	6,897,327	5,567,507	7,115,334	5,702,339
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	8,864,112	8,051,256	9,997,988	8,255,103	10,493,992	8,431,290

Performance Measures:

The performance of the Nebraska National Guard is measured each time the well trained and well equipped personnel respond to the call to mobilization by the Governor in the event of State emergencies; and when individual units are called in support of active Army and Air components.

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Program 545 - Emergency Management

Program Objectives:

This program supports the management and coordination of program responsibilities assigned the Nebraska Emergency Management Agency by statute, regulation, policy or other directives from federal/state authorized officials. The full range of operations required of the agency in fulfilling its responsibilities for development and implementation of emergency management services throughout the state are performed within this program. This includes but is not limited to planning, training, public information and education, operations, administration, logistic, staffing and technical assistance.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY02	Approp FY03	Request FY04	Recom FY04	Request FY05	Recom FY05
General Fund	633,583	699,787	823,735	838,458	836,314	853,833
Cash Fund	238,783	322,427	402,277	410,896	413,059	428,282
Federal Fund	2,019,935	1,989,139	2,455,817	2,472,583	2,536,210	2,561,754
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2,892,301	3,011,353	3,681,829	3,721,937	3,785,583	3,843,869

Performance Measures:

The Nebraska Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) will establish effective state and local partnerships to enhance the four phases of emergency management within the state: mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery. Established programs will provide successful federal/state/local partnerships to reduce the potential losses from natural disasters, emergencies and human caused events.

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Program Objectives:

Authority for the Tuition Assistance Program is found in R.R.S. 85-505 through 85-508.

1. To provide an incentive for enlistment in the Nebraska National Guard.
2. To acquire a more a highly motivated and educated National Guard member by providing assistance to support educational opportunities.
3. To retain qualified Guard members through increased educational opportunities.
4. To manage the Tuition Program within established criteria and available funds.

Financial Data:

	Actual FY02	Approp FY03	Request FY04	Recom FY04	Request FY05	Recom FY05
General Fund	779,400	828,000	900,000	828,000	900,000	828,000
Cash Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Revolving Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other Fund	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	779,400	828,000	900,000	828,000	900,000	828,000

Performance Measures:

The Tuition Assistance Program is a success for several reasons. Foremost, it makes two investments for the price of one. First, this program provides a means for citizen soldiers and airmen to increase their level of education and apply this knowledge in the service of both the Country and the State. Secondly, it returns to the State a citizen who is better prepared to contribute in a variety of capacities and positions.

Equally as important is the recruiting potential it offers to the Nebraska National Guard as a whole. This program has served to bring Nebraskans into service for their state; it has retained our Guard members for continued service and it has returned to the State a citizen who has the potential to provide an even greater impact to business and industry.